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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 1775

Serial No.: 10/044,986

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For. **PROCESS FOR FORMING METAL LAYER ON SURFACE OF RESIN MOLDED PRODUCT**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND  
STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(c)**

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June 4, 2004

Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of the document is attached, together with a copy of an Office Action issued on April 30, 2004 in the corresponding Chinese patent application.

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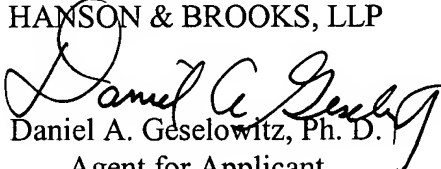
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